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## THE PAST FOOTBALL SEASON.

THE task of writing an account or criticism of the past football season is not one which it is easy to approach in a cheerful or light-hearted mood. On the whole, it has been disastrous—in fact, quite one of the most disastrous of recent years. That this was due to the incapacity of any particular member of the team it would be difficult to say. But the whole team seemed to lack, in most matches at any rate, those very qualities which, if not peculiar to School elevens, are generally regarded as their more particular attributes—viz. dash, endurance, and cohesion.

But, although these qualities were more usually noticeable by their absence, there were one or two occasions which had their brighter side, when the eleven gave us a brief glimpse of what they were capable of, notably in the

excellent display in the Charterhouse match against a strong and evenly-balanced eleven, which had no really weak spot. This, following on a most creditable draw with a good Cambridge Old Westminster eleven, raised our hopes for the match with an Eton eleven. But what a change! During the interval between the two matches practice together seemed to be dismissed as practically superfluous, while all the energies of the members of the eleven seemed centred on the House matches, which, though doubtless of great importance, not only as far as their results are concerned, but also in the revealing and developing of rising talent, should surely not be allowed to override the interests of the School football.

The particular failings of individuals it is hard, and perhaps unnecessary, to dwell upon at length; but throughout the team, with very rare exceptions, there was a distinct tendency to 'sky' the ball, to hang on it too long

without making any forward movement, then to pass at random, and to treat the whole match as a sort of parlour game, whereas one well-timed pass is often worth a dozen mechanical ones, made without any thought or care.

To turn to the individual members of the team, A. T. COLEBY, the captain, is, undoubtedly, a good, clever forward; but, though the best of the quintett, he hardly seemed able to suit himself to the style of the others, while they on their part could not rise to his level.

J. C. VERNON, next to Coleby, was probably the best forward in the eleven, though he had too great a tendency to run down to the corner flag, instead of working in towards the mouth of goal.

C. POWERS was very sound as right half, and put in a tremendous amount of work, tackling with great determination.

L. A. WOODBRIDGE was fast and tricky, but spoilt many good efforts by wild shooting.

E. W. D. COLT-WILLIAMS was unluckily injured severely on more than one occasion, and consequently had few opportunities of showing his ability; he has, at any rate, plenty of dash and pace, and ought to develop into a good back next year.

R. P. MEARS was not as good as last year; and, though untiring in his work, kicked too recklessly for a half-back.

J. M. CRAIG, though still very light, played in excellent style, and ought with care to develop into a first-class centre half.

H. LOGAN at left back improved at every match in a remarkable degree, and saved the side on more than one occasion. He was fast and heavy, and developed a good kick.

G. L. CROWE at times was really brilliant in goal, and well above the average; but sometimes he was unsafe and apt to be disheartened.

E. T. CORFIELD, a late introduction into the team, was full of dash, and should make a good centre forward.

F. S. FLEURET came on very well, and should make an excellent half-back. He passed well to his forwards, and was safe in front of goal.

M. PEMBERTON was rather uncertain, and must learn to kick with both feet; he played

some very good games, and ought to be very useful next year to partner Colt-Williams.

L. G. KIRKPATRICK was, perhaps, the weak spot of the forward line, but he possessed considerable pace, if he had used it more; he centred well at times.

R. G. GARDNER was slow but steady and a safe shot.

To turn to the second eleven, their results were hardly more satisfactory than those of the first eleven, though several of the players showed promise, and should be valuable recruits to the School team next year—notably Geddes, Hepburn, Philby, and Newman, while of those leaving Trench and Hubback showed up well.

To sum up, there is great hope for next year's eleven, if only more care and energy are shown by its members. If more attention is paid to the League matches and the development of young players the School should not lack capable teams. The material exists in the School, and all that it needs is encouragement and perseverance.

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VALE.

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Vicina o popina,  
 Facultas intestina  
 Et placentarum vis,  
 Gulonibus divina  
 Coptarum officina,  
 Deflenda corruiis.

O vale, ars coquina,  
 Quam noverat pistrina  
 Nostrae Sutcliffiae;  
 Praestantior doctrina  
 Quam nostra disciplina,  
 Desideramus te.

Sagina matutina,  
 Voluptas genuina,  
 Damnosa corpori,  
 Necnon et vespertina,  
 Cui subit medicina,  
 Quaeretur alibi.

Sed aedium o regina,  
 Quam rapit nunc ruina,  
 Quoquo fert fames me,  
 Hi artus dum tetrina  
 Induerint orcina,  
 Respiciam semper te.

## THE CADET CORPS IN CAMP.

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*Extracts from an N.C.O.'s Diary.*  
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*Wednesday, April 8.*—We travelled from Waterloo Station to Amesbury. The road from the station to the camp seems unacquainted with the steam-roller: perhaps such things are unnecessary luxuries. The first sight of Bulford Camp was not prepossessing. The huts look like so many tin tabernacles from a distance, and on closer inspection do not seem so clean as they might be. Our first duty was to 'draw bedding,' which consisted of very hard mattresses, blankets of a rather doubtful appearance, and bolsters which feel as if they were stuffed with shavings.

*Thursday, April 9.*—Reveille at 6.30. Only too glad to get out of bed. The pillow was as hard as a stone (one of my section neatly termed it 'unpalatable'); the blankets are not of the finest texture; and the mattress was decidedly wanting in spring. Spent the morning in drawing bedding for the battalion. In the afternoon we went out to meet them, and marched back to camp with them.

*Friday, April 10.*—Reveille 5.30. Our first experience of battalion parade. This seems hopelessly complicated, and none of the officers appear to be quite sure what they want. We paraded for church at 9.30, and attended service in a place which combines a church, a music-hall, a temperance canteen, and a few other useful institutions in a narrow space. Another battalion parade at 11.30. In the afternoon our company had a sham fight all to itself. The attacking half-company won special praise, and this rather threw into the shade a masterly retreat conducted by one section of the defence. We got back in time to see the end of a football match in which the Border Regiment beat the Inns of Court by 3 goals to love. Our company was represented by Colour-sergeant Coleby and Corporal Vernon. In the evening a strange but rather amusing discussion, commonly called a pow wow, was held, at which the various subordinate officers were called upon to account for themselves and their action during the day. This had the effect of sending some cadets off to sleep in very queer attitudes. Lights out at 9.45.

*Saturday, April 11.*—Reveille and battalion parade same as Friday. In the morning, after some instruction in bugle calls, we had a lecture on range-finding, which, with all due respect to the lecturer, consisted mainly in a string of platitudes more or less disconnected. In the afternoon the cyclists of the corps and ourselves, with considerable success, defended a hill against the rest of the battalion. In the evening we were invited to a concert organised by the Inns of Court, which was much appreciated. Camp life improves on acquaintance; true, we are worked hard, but that is not altogether a hardship. The worst features are, first, the early-morning parades

on a frosty ground before breakfast; and, secondly, the scantiness of washing conveniences. It is not altogether pleasant to turn out on a cold morning and find that you have to go outside your hut to get any water at all.

*Sunday, April 12.*—The only military affair to-day was church parade in the morning. In the afternoon most of us walked over to Stonehenge—about five miles. . .

*Monday, April 13.*—The early parade this morning was held in bitterly cold weather, so much so that one or two of us had to fall out. After breakfast, however, we started off, intending to be out the whole day. Before we had got far, proceedings were enlivened by a snowstorm, which rather handicapped our manoeuvres. After a rather uninteresting attack, we returned to camp for lunch and stayed in the whole afternoon.

*Tuesday, April 14.*—It was cold work again this morning at 6.30, though not quite so bad as yesterday. We had two separate attacks to carry out to-day: in the morning we attacked the hill we had defended on Saturday; in the afternoon the section I was with had a very slow time, as we were told off to prevent a flank attack which never came.

*Wednesday, April 15.*—Heavy rain spoilt all chance of an early parade this morning. Fortunately, it cleared up in time to let us go off for a whole day. Our morning attack was not very interesting except for a magnificent charge at the end. After lunch we spent some time judging distances; it is strange how some people are not satisfied by the decision of the instruments. In the afternoon we had a glorious time; the enemy lay out in a field like rabbits while we fired round after round into them from a wood. In the evening we attended a battalion concert, which was very largely attended, and much enjoyed by all of us.

*Thursday, April 16.*—As a farewell shot we were bugled up at five this morning. All bedding had to be returned and the huts left moderately clean and tidy. Some of the company left early after a 7 o'clock breakfast; most, however, marched off with the battalion about 10 o'clock. The general impression seems to be that we have had a very good time, but that a week is quite long enough.

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 School Notes.  
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THERE are 9 new boys this term.

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 It was with great sorrow we heard at the end of last term that the state of Mr. Just's health had obliged him to resign his post here. His loss would have been felt in any case by his many friends here, but the circumstances attending his retirement call for special sympathy, which we sincerely offer him.

Bishop Welldon held a Confirmation in Henry VII.'s Chapel on March 28, when thirty-two candidates were presented.

The Mission Offertory on SS. Philip and James' Day amounted to £3 10s. 4d.

We welcome this term Mr. S. H. Day, who has taken Mr. Just's place.

Mrs. Bradley has very kindly presented a photograph of the late Dean Bradley to the School. The portrait, which gives a very good likeness of the late Dean, represents him sitting in the Deanery Library. It was taken on September 25, 1902, just a few days before he moved out of the Deanery. Mrs. Bradley has written on the back of the photograph these words :

*To the Members of Westminster School.*

IN MEMORIAM OF THE VERY REV. GEORGE GRANVILLE BRADLEY, DEAN OF WESTMINSTER

Taken 'Home' Friday, March 13, 1903.

'His eyes behold the King in his Beauty.'

From Mrs. G. Granville Bradley.

The Gymnasium and Fencing Competitions were held this year on March 27. For the fencing there were only two entries, and Hubback had no difficulty in beating Flockhart. The gymnasium competition was again won by O'Flynn, A. T. Coleby being second. The Junior Competition was won by Worthington, and E. Coleby was second.

The Concert is fixed for May 22.

The *Saturday Review* of March 28 contained an appreciative article on Westminster. The writer is very enthusiastic about the School, and we hope his sanguine expectations may be realised. 'Regards,' we think, must be a misprint for 'Rigaud's.'

The Football XI.'s were filled up as follows at the end of last term :—

<i>Pinks.</i>	<i>Pink-and-Whites.</i>	<i>3rd XI.'s</i>
*A. T. Coleby	L. G. Kirkpatrick	H. B. Philby
*J. C. Vernon	*F. W. Hubback	H. C. G. Pedler
*C. Powers	*J. R. Trench	J. L. Johnston
*L. A. Woodbridge	R. G. Gardner	W. R. Birchall
E. W. D. Colt-Williams	J. K. Hepburn	*L. R. Walton
*R. P. Mears	*A. R. Malcolm	K. E. Newman
J. M. Craig	A. P. D. Davey	*A. W. Matcham
*H. Logan	R. W. Geddes	*R. C. Oppenheimer
G. L. Crowe	E. C. Wallis	M. C. Houdret
E. T. Corfield	*H. V. Capon	*K. N. Colville
*F. S. Fleuret	W. J. Bonser	
M. Penterton		

\* Will have left before next season.

We are glad to see *Mr. Punch* interesting himself in the question of the revival of rowing at Westminster. We think 'Westminster Pink' in his letter has voiced the opinion of the School as a whole.

The Challenge Chess Board was won by A. C. Bottomley, who beat W. F. H. Waterfield in the final by two games to one, after a close and prolonged struggle.

The following is the Cricket Card filled in to date :—

May 9 Sat.	v.	Incogniti. (Abandoned, owing to rain)
" 16 "	v.	Eton Ramblers (Lost. Westminster, 101; Eton Ramblers, 144).
" 23 "	v.	Old Wykehamists.
" 30 "	v.	Butterflies.
June 6 "	v.	I Zingari.
" 10 Wed.	v.	Free Foresters.
" 13 Sat.	v.	O.W.W.
" 20 "	v.	Oxford University Authentics.
" 26 Fri.	}	v. Charterhouse (at Vincent Square).
" 27 Sat.		
July 4 Sat.	v.	West Kent.
" 8 Wed.	v.	M.C.C.
" 11 Sat.	v.	Old Carthusians.
" 15 Wed.	v.	Harrow Blues.
" 18 Sat.	v.	Crusaders.
" 27 Mon.	v.	T.B.B. v. K.S.S.

## THE FIELDS.

### WESTMINSTER SCHOOL v. OLD BRIGHTONIANS.

PLAYED up Fields on Saturday, March 21, and resulted in a win for the visitors by 3 goals to 2. The ground was in splendid condition, but there was a slight wind. The Old Brightonians won the toss, and elected to defend the Church end, having the wind behind them. Corfield kicked off at 3.15. The start was very auspicious, Coleby getting through and scoring after about five minutes' play. Give-and-take play followed, each side pressing in turn. Hoffmeister equalised for the visitors with a splendid shot just in the corner of the net (1-1). Logan and Malcolm frequently broke up the combination of the visitors' right wing, while Crowe brought off several good saves in goal. Coleby and Vernon then got away on the right, but the former shot straight at the goalkeeper. On changing ends the School forwards showed improved combination, and made frequent rushes, but the shooting was poor. The Old Brightonians then forced a couple of corners, both of which, however, proved fruitless. (Their forwards, however, soon managed to get through and score a second goal 1-2) The School then ran down and forced a corner, but Coleby kicked it too far into the field, and it was easily cleared. From a pass by Coleby, Corfield ran through and

equalised (2-2). Just before time Belcher scored a very lucky goal for the visitors, Crowe only partially clearing a shot, which then just went over the line off the post. There was no further scoring.

The teams were :—

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL.

G. L. Crowe (goal); M. Pemberton, H. Logan (backs); F. W. Hubback, J. M. Craig, A. R. Malcolm (halves); J. C. Vernon, A. T. Coleby, E. T. Corfield, R. G. Gardner, H. B. Philby (forwards).

OLD BRIGHTONIANS.

H. Sinclair (goal); G. Belcher, L. H. Trist (backs); M. S. Young, L. F. Duckworth, W. M. Curtis (halves); J. E. Lascelles, H. R. J. Holmes, A. H. Belcher, C. E. Hoffmeister, A. F. Crump (forwards).

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL 2ND XI. *v.* KING'S COLLEGE 2ND XI.

Played up Fields on Saturday, March 21, and resulted in a win for the 2nd XI. by 4 goals to 2. The visitors did not bring a very strong team, and the School had almost all the game. Westminster played towards the Pavilion end during the first half, and scored twice. After ends had been changed each side scored twice. The goals for the School were scored by Davey, Geddes, Newman, and Coleby.

The teams were :—

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL 2ND XI.

H. V. Capon (goal); E. C. Wallis, J. K. Hepburn (backs); W. R. Birchall, J. R. Trench, L. R. Walton (halves); K. N. Colville, K. E. Newman, R. W. Geddes, E. Coleby, A. P. D. Davey (forwards).

KING'S COLLEGE 2ND XI.

S. Langton (goal); A. H. Gifford, S. Robinson (backs); E. Warnaut, W. Cramer-Roberts, T. Kirkland (halves); H. W. Franks, T. T. Miller, C. H. Blofeld, G. C. East, T. Blofeld (forwards).

K.S.S. *v.* T.B.B.

Played up Fields on Thursday, March 26, and resulted in a draw of two goals apiece. Vernon won the toss, and Coleby kicked off at 3.10 for the K.S.S., who played towards the Church end. The T.B.B. pressed slightly at first, but the K.S.S. forwards rushed down, which resulted in Coleby shooting over. The T.B.B. forced a corner, which was splendidly placed by Davey, but Crowe managed to fist away. Play was transferred to the other end, and Coleby almost scored with a long shot. The K.S.S. were compelled to concede another corner, from which Vernon neatly headed through. The K.S.S. then made a vigorous attack, and, after a fruitless corner, Geare equalised, Capon failing to gather the ball properly. On changing ends the T.B.B. forwards ran straight down, but Woodbridge shot straight into Crowe's hands. Aided by the wind, the K.S.S. continued to keep up a vigorous attack, but the shooting was poor. After about ten minutes'

play Corfield unfortunately broke his wrist, and had to leave the field. His place was filled for the remainder of the time by Johnston. From a good pass by Geare, Coleby got round Pemberton and put the K.S.S. ahead. Two penalties were awarded against Capon for running too far with the ball, but they were both missed. Both sides pressed in turn, the ball travelling quickly from one end to the other. About two minutes before time Woodbridge succeeded in equalising. Neither side was able to score the winning point, and a very good game ended in a draw of 2 goals each.

For the K.S.S. the defence was very good, while the forwards worked hard but without much combination. For T.B.B., Vernon, Woodbridge, and Powers were good; Davey played well, but received hardly any support from his inside.

The teams were :—

K.S.S.

G. L. Crowe (goal); B. G. Cobb, W. J. Bonser (backs); F. W. Hubback, J. R. Trench, W. R. Birchall (halves); G. T. Boag, H. L. Geare, A. T. Coleby, R. G. Gardner, H. B. Philby (forwards).

T.B.B.

H. V. Capon (goal); M. Pemberton, H. Logan (backs); C. Powers, J. M. Craig, A. R. Malcolm (halves); J. C. Vernon, L. A. Woodbridge, E. T. Corfield, R. W. Geddes, A. P. D. Davey (forwards).

CRICKET.

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL *v.* INCOGNITI.

This match, which was to have been played on Saturday, May 8, owing to a heavy shower of rain, had to be abandoned without a ball bowled.

The Westminster team was :—

H. Logan (captain), C. Powers, R. G. Gardner, E. W. D. Colt-Williams, F. S. Fleuret, A. T. Coleby, G. L. Crowe, E. W. Lane-Claypon, L. G. Kirkpatrick, O. H. Walters, P. T. Rawlings, J. K. Hepburn.

THE ATHLETIC SPORTS.

The Athletic Sports were held this year on Friday and Saturday, April 3 and 4. The weather on Friday was all that could be desired, but on Saturday showers of rain fell at short intervals, which caused much discomfort to competitors and spectators alike.

The greatest success undoubtedly attended Logan, who won the hammer, the high jump, and the open hundred. He won the hammer with a better throw than has been seen here of late years, and the high jump was a good performance. The heavy state of

the ground affected his time in the final of the hundred.

Of the other open events, the best was Powers' long jump of 19 feet 4 inches. The time of the final of the hurdle race, like that of the hundred, was slower than in the heats on the day before. Mears won the open quarter in  $58\frac{2}{5}$  secs., one second less than last year. The mile provided a good race, though the finish was rather tame; Pearson broke away at the end of the third lap, and gradually increased his lead, till he won by about 60 yards.

Of the Juniors Newman and Lee showed great promise; Newman in particular won no less than four events. Grant's had no difficulty in winning the House Cup, and they thoroughly deserved it. Out of a total of 139 points they won 52, Ashburnham being second with 28. A welcome addition to the programme was made this year in the form of a table for recording the points gained by each House toward this cup.

Another pleasant feature of this year's sports was the music so well supplied by the Police Band. The Bandsmen's race aroused nearly as much enthusiasm as the O.W.W. race.

Messrs. R. T. Squire and O. R. Borradaile were again good enough to act as judges, and as usual performed their duties to the satisfaction of everyone. They are especially to be congratulated this year on the punctuality with which they got the races started, and on the absence of unnecessary delays in the unfavourable weather.

The Stewards were:—A. T. Coleby, G. T. Boag, Hon. Sec., H. Logan, K. N. Colville, C. Powers, J. C. Vernon, and L. A. Woodbridge.

On Wednesday, April 1, trials were held for the jumps, the cricket ball, and the hammer. The first round of the Inter-House tug-of-war was also pulled off, when Grant's easily pulled Ashburnham over (2-0), and H.B.B. with rather more difficulty beat Rigaud's (2-0)

#### FRIDAY, APRIL 3.

##### 1.—300 YARDS HANDICAP. OVER 16. HEATS.

*Heat 1.*—Malcolm, 1; Walker, 2. Time,  $36\frac{2}{5}$  secs.  
*Heat 2.*—Vernon, 1; Pemberton, 2; Time,  $36\frac{1}{5}$  secs.

##### 2.—100 YARDS. UNDER 16. HEATS.

*Heat 1.*—Fraser, F., 1. Time,  $12\frac{1}{5}$  secs.  
*Heat 2.*—Le Blond, 1. Time,  $12\frac{1}{5}$  secs.  
*Heat 3.*—Scarlsbrick, 1. Time, 12 secs.

##### 3.—THROWING THE CRICKET BALL. UNDER 15.

Lee, 1; Newman, 2. Distance, 71 yds. 1 ft.

##### 4.—HALF-MILE WITH HURDLES. OPEN. CHALLENGE CUP.

Castle-Smith, 1; Mears, 2; Powers, 3. Time, 2 mins. 27 secs.

##### 5.—HIGH JUMP. UNDER 15.

Newman, 1; Coleby, E., 2. Height, 4 ft. 4 ins.

##### 6.—THROWING THE HAMMER. OPEN. CHALLENGE HAMMER.

Logan, 1; Kirkpatrick, 2. Distance, 70 ft. 3 ins.

##### 7.—LONG JUMP. OPEN. CHALLENGE CUP.

Powers, 1; Logan, 2. Distance, 19 ft. 4 ins.

##### 8.—150 YARDS. UNDER 14. HEATS.

*Heat 1.*—Cecil, V., 1; Circuit, C., and Bowen, G. A. (dead heat), 2. Time,  $20\frac{1}{5}$  secs.  
*Heat 2.*—Mason, 1; Lethbridge, 2. Time,  $20\frac{3}{5}$  secs.

##### 9.—100 YARDS. OPEN. HEATS. CHALLENGE CUP.

*Heat 1.*—Logan, 1; Bowen, J. P., 2. Time,  $10\frac{4}{5}$  secs.  
*Heat 2.*—Vernon, 1; Seddon, 2. Time,  $11\frac{1}{5}$  secs.  
*Heat 3.*—Pemberton and Mears (dead heat), 1. Time,  $11\frac{1}{5}$  secs.

##### 10.—LONG JUMP. UNDER 15.

Newman, 1; Pinks, 2. Distance, 15 ft. 7 ins.

##### 11.—HURDLE RACE. OPEN. HEATS. CHALLENGE CUP.

*Heat 1.*—Logan, 1; Bowen, J. P., 2. Time,  $20\frac{3}{5}$  secs.  
*Heat 2.*—Powers, 1; Woodbridge, 2. Time,  $18\frac{1}{5}$  secs.

##### 12.—HALF-MILE HANDICAP. OPEN.

Worlock, F. (30 yds.), 1; Shearman, J. (40 yds.), 2; Nichols, F. H. (75 yds.), 3. Time, 2 mins.  $16\frac{2}{5}$  secs.

##### 13.—SERVANTS' RACE.

Angell, 1; Vanstone, 2.

##### 14.—INTER-HOUSE TUG-OF-WAR. FINAL TIE.

Grant's pulled over Home Boarders (2-1).

#### SATURDAY, APRIL 25.

##### 15.—300 YARDS. OVER 16. FINAL HEAT.

Vernon, 1; Pemberton, 2. Time,  $34\frac{2}{5}$  secs.

##### 16.—100 YARDS. UNDER 16. FINAL HEAT.

Le Blond, 1; Lamb, 2. Time,  $11\frac{2}{5}$  secs.

##### 17.—THROWING THE CRICKET BALL. OPEN.

Powers, 1; Crowe, 2. Distance, 92 yds. 1 ft.

##### 18.—440 YARDS. OPEN. CHALLENGE CUP.

Mears, 1; Shearman, J., 2; Capon, 3. Time,  $58\frac{2}{5}$  secs.

##### 19.—HURDLE RACE. UNDER 15. HEATS.

*Heat 1.*—Coleby, E., 1; Lee, 2. Time,  $23\frac{2}{5}$  secs.  
*Heat 2.*—Ratcliffe-Cousins, 1; Newman, 2. Time,  $24\frac{1}{5}$  secs.

##### 20.—QUARTER MILE. UNDER 16.

Scarlsbrick, 1; Rawlings, 2. Time,  $62\frac{2}{5}$  secs.

##### 21.—100 YARDS. OPEN. FINAL HEAT.

Logan, 1; Vernon, 2. Time,  $11\frac{1}{5}$  secs.

##### 22.—HURDLE RACE. UNDER 15. FINAL HEAT.

Newman, 1; Ratcliffe-Cousins, 2. Time,  $21\frac{1}{5}$  secs.

##### 23.—HIGH JUMP. OPEN. CHALLENGE CUP.

Logan, 1; Colville, 2. Height, 5 ft. 1 in.

- 24.—HURDLE RACE. OPEN. FINAL HEAT.  
Powers, 1; Logan, 2. Time, 19 $\frac{4}{5}$  secs.
- 25.—150 YARDS. UNDER 14. FINAL HEAT.  
Mason, 1; Cecil, V., 2. Time, 20 $\frac{3}{5}$  secs.
- 26.—QUARTER MILE. UNDER 15.  
CHALLENGE CUP.  
Ratcliffe-Cousins, 1; Lee, 2. Time, 65 $\frac{1}{5}$  secs.
- 27.—FLAT RACE. ONE MILE. OPEN.  
CHALLENGE CUP.  
Pearson, 1; Mears, 2; Castle-Smith, 3. Time, 5 mins.  
10 $\frac{1}{5}$  secs.
- 28.—100 YARDS. UNDER 15.  
Newman, 1; Lee, 2.
- 29.—120 YARDS. UNDER 13.  
Cecil, V., 1; Circuitt, C., 2.
- 30.—CONSOLATION RACE (Winners excluded).  
Woodbridge, 1; Bowen, J. P., 2.
- 31.—BANDSMEN'S RACE.
- 32.—O.WW. RACE.  
R. N. R. Blaker, 1; R. R. Campbell, 2.
- 33.—TUG-OF-WAR. K.SS. v. T.BB.  
T.BB. pulled over K.SS. (2-0).  
K.SS. got down well together, but were eventually pulled over by the heavier team.

After the sports the prizes were given away by Sir R. U. Penrose-Fitzgerald, M.P. In thanking him for his presence, the Headmaster called attention to his distinguished athletic career, especially as a rowing Blue at Cambridge in 1861-2. Sir Robert Fitzgerald, in replying, expressed a hope that rowing might soon be restored to its old place at Westminster. Three cheers were then given for the O.WW, who were present in large numbers. Mr. R. T. Squire briefly acknowledged them, and in turn called for cheers for the ladies, which were heartily given. The proceedings then came to an end.

## DEBATING SOCIETY.

THE House met on Thursday, March 19, when the following motion was discussed: 'That this House approves of the State control of railways.'

The PROPOSER (G. W. Phillips) said there would be three advantages gained from the control of railways by the State—efficiency, cheapness, and increased comfort. At present the various companies do not run their trains to connect well with one another. This could be better arranged under Government control. The railways would be managed for the

good of the State, and not for the good of a few directors, who were an idle class of people. Rates would thus be brought down, as there would be no one wishing to make profit out of the railways. Finally, in war-time it would be very useful to have the railways already under Government control.

The OPPOSER (G. D. Johnston) asked for a definition of the State. If it meant Parliament, he felt sure the railways would be worse managed than they are at present. He contradicted the Proposer on the point of train connections. At good junctions they were run to connect with one another. If the State took over the railways the train service would become worse through lack of competition. As for the advantages in war-time, the State was already empowered to take over the railways on such an occasion.

The SECONDER (C. J. G. Seddon) advanced few new arguments, but recapitulated the Proposer's remarks. His chief argument was the fact that the tramways had been benefited by L.C.C. control.

F. H. NICHOLS thought the public would suffer, as the rates would go up for the support of the railways. This would be all very well for the rich, but it would be hard on the poor.

J. R. TRENCH pointed out that the State railways were good enough abroad; there was one disadvantage—the impossibility of suing the Government for damages.

After short speeches by various members, the motion was put to the vote, when it was lost by acclamation.

The House met on Thursday, April 2, to discuss the following motion: 'That, in the opinion of this House, the unsatisfactory condition of Ireland is entirely due to English misgovernment.'

The PROPOSER (C. Powers) said little or nothing that could be heard, and seemed to have taken no trouble to prepare his speech, or indeed to have any interest in the question at all.

The OPPOSER (E. W. D. Colt-Williams) objected to the word 'entirely.' He maintained that the state of Ireland is mainly due to the character of the Irish people. They were a lazy race and an absolutely irresponsible race of people. He mentioned Irish harvesters as types of the Irish workman. He was inclined to blame particular monarchs, such as George III., rather than Government, for the bad state of Ireland. The position was really as follows: The Irish would not be helped, except by Home Rule; they were not fit for Home Rule, and consequently nothing can be done to help them.

The SECONDER (H. B. Philby) defended the Irish against charges of laziness. He contradicted the Opposer's statements on other points, and then proceeded to give the House a long history of Irish troubles, which, he said, went to show that England was responsible, though they appeared to prove the direct contrary.

The PRESIDENT then rose to speak. England

had to hold Ireland, so that she was not to be blamed for her attempts at ruling it. He too quarrelled with the word 'entirely,' which was rather hard on England. The real truth of the struggle lay in the fact that the English were Teutons and the Irish Celts and the two were irreconcilable. England has made mistakes; but, on the whole, she has done her best for Ireland.

Mr. J. E. Y. RADCLIFFE, who was present at this meeting, then gave the House some interesting details about the Irish which threw some new light on the question. He was inclined to blame the Saxon agitators in Ireland for the disturbances, a point of view which seems to have occurred to no one previously.

The House then adjourned. The motion was fur her debated on Tuesday, April 7, and finally lost by 6 votes to 8.

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### House Notes.

COLLEGE.—THE TOWN BOY match was disappointing from our point of view, and so were the Sports. We comfort ourselves with the feeling that we were not the last in points. We congratulate Bonser and Birchall on their College colours, Bonser on his Pink and Whites, and Birchall on his 3rd XI's. We had seven representatives down to play against the Incogniti; we hope they may all have a chance to distinguish themselves. Hearty congratulations to G. K. A. Bell on his first in Mods. The Literary Society has begun the term with 'Much Ado about Nothing.'

GRANT'S.—L. A. Woodbridge left at the end of last term, to everyone's regret; we wish him all success in his future career. D. S. Robertson has taken his place as head of the House. One new boy has come this term, who is a boarder, so that our numbers remain as before. At the end of last term we had a very successful shield supper. For the first time we have won the Sports Cup. We owed our success chiefly to H. Logan, and also to Ratcliffe-Cousins and Newman in the juniors. We regret to record the absence of J. D. H. Dickson, but we hope to see him again in a fortnight.

RIGAUD'S.—We are glad to be able to congratulate T. M. Mavrogordato on his first in Mods. at Oxford; also C. M. Page on obtaining a Scholarship at St. Thomas's Hospital. We also congratulate Powers and Morrison on passing their exams. at Cambridge and Oxford. We have one new boy, and Craig is come as a boarder. Our representatives for the School *v.* next XVI. would have numbered three had not Fleuret injured his finger.

H.B.B.—We have little news to record this term. Our numbers have fallen to 66, as there are only two new fellows to compensate a loss of five. Although we have only one cricket House colour yet, we hope for the best. Congratulations to Davey on his 2nd XI.'s, Oppenheimer on his 3rd XI.'s, and to Castle on his House colours granted at the close of the Footer season. Three members of the House played for T.B.B.: the captain, J. C. Vernon, Corfield, and Davey. We are glad to see Corfield back among us after his accident, and we hope that his arm will not keep him long from the cricket-field. We did not do very well in the Sports, except for the quite unexpected, but nevertheless well-merited, success of Pearson in the mile; the junior gym. competition was also won for us by Worthington. We had rather bad luck in the tug, being pulled in the final by Grant's (1-2), after winning the first pull and getting within two inches of the second.

ASHBURNHAM.—We have lost Scarisbrick and Scott, and Liberty is leaving us for Grant's; but the return of Rix and the acquisition of five new boys repair our losses. The football season already seems long past, but we have yet to congratulate those members of the House who got School colours last term, and Malcolm and Geddes on playing for T.B.B. as well. At the Sports we did not do as well as we hoped, but managed to be a poor second, Mears being our most prominent performer. The tug-of-war team did as we had expected. It is difficult to speak so early of our cricket prospects, but we should prove a very level team, without any marked 'tail.'

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### GLEE SOCIETY.

THE last concert of the term was given up School on Saturday afternoon, March 21. The attendance was decidedly larger than at any previous concert, and the concert itself was by common consent the most successful of all that have been held since the Society was revived last year. We all know to whom this success is for the most part due, and we hope that Mr. Ranalow is himself as satisfied with the result of his trouble as were his audience at this concert.

In a concert where everything went well the most successful items were the pianoforte solos contributed by Mr. Piggott, Mr. Hussein Khan, and Hackforth; Dickson's violin solos, Depree's song, and the 'Gendarmes' Duet.' The last received a well-deserved encore, as also did Dickson. Summerhayes has a very pretty voice, which ought to improve with practice. The chorus acquitted themselves very creditably, and the 'Gipsy Chorus'



and Macfarren's 'Sands of Dee' were very well sung.

The programme was :—

CHORUS ...	Gipsy Chorus from 'Preciosa' ...	<i>Von Weber</i>
PIANO SOLO ...	Deux Polonaises ...	<i>Chopin</i>
	R. HACKFORTH	
SONG ...	'The Admiral's Broom' ...	<i>Bevan</i>
	J. L. JOHNSTON	
VIOLIN SOLO ...	Aria and Gavotte ...	<i>Vieuxtemps</i>
	J. D. H. DICKSON	
SONG ...	'A Birthday' ...	<i>Somerset</i>
	D. L. SUMMERHAYES	
PIANO SOLO ...	Prelude and Fugue in E flat ...	<i>Mendelssohn</i>
	H. E. PIGGOTT, Esq.	
CHORUS ...	'The Sands of Dee' ...	<i>Macfarren</i>
SONG ...	'The Yeoman's Wedding Song' ...	<i>Poniatowski</i>
	S. B. DEPREE	
PIANO SOLO ...	Étude—'La Fontaine' ...	<i>Ch. Meyer</i>
	M. HUSSEIN KHAN, Esq. (O.W.)	
SONG ...	'The Deathless Army' ...	<i>Trotière</i>
	J. SHEARMAN	
CHORUS ...	'Sing a Joyous Roundelay' ...	<i>Barnby</i>
SONG ...	'Song of Sleep' ...	<i>Somerset</i>
	H. V. ARGYLE	
DUET ...	Gendarmes' Duet ...	<i>Offenbach</i>
	J. SHEARMAN and J. L. JOHNSTON	
SONG ...	'Oh Promise Me' ...	<i>De Koven</i>
	E. C. CHESNEY	
CHORUS ...	'The Mice in Council' ...	<i>Filby</i>
	GOD SAVE THE KING.	

As the Society will not give any more concerts till another School year has begun, this is not an unsuitable occasion to express our pleasure in the revival of these afternoon concerts. Apart from the entertainment they afford at an hour when there is nothing to do in the ordinary course of things, they are useful in bringing forward people with voices to sing in the annual concert. We sincerely hope that next year the Glee Society may continue as well, or better than it has begun; if it does not, the fault will not lie with Mr. Ranalow, who generously gives so much time and labour to the practices.

### Old Westminsters.

[Any information for this column will be most acceptable to the Editor.]

At Oxford Mr. G. K. A. Bell and Mr. T. M. Mavrogordato are in the First Class in Classical Moderations, Mr. W. E. Carsley in the Second, and Mr. J. E. Y. Radcliffe in the Fourth.

At Cambridge Mr. H. R. Lonsdale is honourably mentioned for the Winchester Reading Prize.

Dr. E. A. Yates, M.D., London, is admitted M.R.C.P. and Mr. H. B. McCaskie is admitted M.R.C.S. and L.R.C.P.

Mr. C. M. Page is elected to a Scholarship at St. Thomas's Hospital.

Mr. Richard Waterfield is appointed an Assistant Secretary in the Financial Department at Simla.

Mr. S. C. Probyn, who has been taking temporary work at the School, is appointed Professor of Modern History in the Presidency College of Madras, and expects to sail for India about the middle of June.

The Rev. E. H. Alington and Mr. W. H. A. Cowell have become life subscribers to *The Elizabethan*.

### BIRTH.

On April 2, at Shipdam Hall, Norfolk, the wife of Harry Simpson Ladell, of a son.

### Correspondence.

To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.'

AN APPEAL TO O.W.W.

ST. STEPHEN'S CLUB, WESTMINSTER, S.W.  
May 1, 1903.

DEAR SIR,—Will you kindly allow us once more to appeal to Old Westminsters for information about themselves and their relations and friends who were educated at the School? Any names of Town Boys admitted previously to June, 1764, and any information relating to King's Scholars not contained in the 'Alumni' or in the 'Westminster School Register,' as well as any additions to, and corrections of, the Register, will be gratefully received by

G. F. RUSSELL BARKER,  
3 New Square, Lincoln's Inn, W.C.,

or,

ALAN H. STENNING,  
St. Stephen's Club, Westminster, S.W.

To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.'

SIR,—I wish to make a suggestion. Many boys would like during the summer months to have a little fresh sea air from Saturday to Monday. This is exceedingly difficult under the present school hours. Sunday travelling is very slow, and it is hardly possible to get to the South Coast and return in time for the morning school at 9.30 by travelling on the Monday morning. The proposal I put forward is that school should be 10.30 on Mondays during summer months. If it is

absolutely necessary to make up the lost hour it could be fitted in to some other day.

How nice to return on Mondays with rosy cheeks, with the rude glow of healthful sea breezes! Lessons would be better enjoyed, and I am sure the benefit would be well worth the loss of one hour's work.

Trusting I have not offended by making this suggestion,  
Yours faithfully,  
M.

The initial "M." used to appear many years ago in your paper when morning school was 8 A.M.

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